

Amendment No. 4 to SB0982

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 982*

House Bill No. 1147

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-217, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead:

(a) Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, tax imposed with respect to the sale, use, consumption, distribution, and storage of aviation fuel that is actually used in the operation of airplane or aircraft motors, shall be at the rate of:

(1) Four and one-half percent (4.5%) through June 30, 2015;

(2) Four and seven hundredths percent (4.07%) from July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016;

(3) Three and fifty-three hundredths percent (3.53%) from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017;

(4) Two and ninety-eight hundredths percent (2.98%) from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018; and

(5) Two and forty-one hundredths percent (2.41%) on or after July 1, 2018.

(b)

(1) No later than July 1, 2015, the speaker of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the governor shall establish an advisory task force to study revenue measures regarding the operation of aircraft and airport facilities in this state, the funding available to airports from the Transportation Equity Fund (TEF), and the effect of such funding on the needs of the air carrier and general aviation airports.

(2) The advisory task force shall consist of fifteen (15) members as follows:

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(A) Three (3) members shall be appointed by the speaker of the senate;

(B) Three (3) members shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

(C) The commissioner of economic and community development who shall serve as chair and shall convene the first meeting of the task force;

(D) The commissioner of transportation, or the commissioner's designee;

(E) The commissioner of finance and administration, or the commissioner's designee;

(F) The chair of the transportation and safety committee of the senate;

(G) The chair of the transportation committee of the house of representatives;

(H) Two (2) members representative of the Tennessee Aviation Association (TAA), to be appointed by the governor; and

(I) Two (2) members representative of the Tennessee Association of Air Carrier Airports (TAACA), to be appointed by the governor.

(3) The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the chair of the transportation and safety committee of the senate, and the chair of the transportation committee of the house of representatives by no later than February 1, 2016. The task force shall cease to exist upon completion of the task force's report and recommendations.

(4) The legislative members shall be compensated in accordance with § 3-1-106. The remaining members of the task force shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement of any travel expenses incurred. All reimbursement for travel shall be in accordance with the provisions of the comprehensive travel regulations as promulgated by the department of finance and administration and approved by the attorney general and reporter.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.